Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended)   A web-enabled system for printing a value-bearing item (VBI) postage on a mail piece comprising:

a web-enabled client subsystem for interfacing with a user comprising;

a graphical user interface (GUI) for installing software for printing the VBI postage;

a GUI for registering the user in the system; and

a GUI for managing the printing of the [[VBI]] postage and proving insurance service based on type of a mail piece selected by the user; and

a server subsystem capable of communicating with the client subsystem over the Internet for authorizing the client subsystem to print the [[VBI]] postage.

2.   (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended)   The system of claim [[2]] 1, wherein the GUI for managing the printing comprises of a GUI for providing a plurality of services.

4. (Currently Amended)   The system of claim 3, wherein the plurality of services includes one or more of certified mail, delivery confirmation, insurance, registered mail, and return receipt.

5. (Original)   The system of claim 4, further comprising means in the client subsystem for calculating an amount due for a selected service based on one or more business rules.

6.   (Canceled)

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7. (Original)   The system of claim 1, wherein the client subsystem further comprises a GUI for displaying the user information including an account information, and making changes to the user's information.

8. (Original)   The system of claim 1, wherein the client subsystem further comprises a GUI for specifying an address book from a plurality of address books so that the system can use the address book to print addresses.

9. (Original)   The system of claim 1, wherein the server subsystem includes an address matching module for verifying an address entered by the user.

10. (Original) The system of claim 9, wherein the address matching module includes a user option for overriding an incorrect address.

11. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the GUI for registering the user comprises of a GUI for entering user information.

12. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein the user information is uploaded to a web-based application.

13. (Original) The system of claim 12, wherein the web-based application includes on-line shopping.

14. (Original) The system of claim 1, further comprising a browser-based GUI for on-line shopping.

15. (Currently Amended)   The system of claim 1, wherein the GUI for managing the printing comprises of a GUI for displaying a graphical image of the [[VBI]] postage.

16. (Currently Amended)   The system of claim 1, wherein the GUI for managing the printing comprises of a first GUI for printing a quality assurance [[VBI]] postage.

17. (Currently Amended)   The system of claim 16, further comprising a second GUI for displaying selectable choices of a printed quality assurance [[VBI]] postage.

18. (Currently Amended)   The system of claim 16, wherein the client subsystem prevents printing of the [[VBI]] postage if the quality assurance [[VBI]] postage is not printed.

19. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the GUI for managing the printing comprises of a GUI for troubleshooting selected printing options.

20. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the GUI for managing the printing comprises of a GUI for providing envelope options.

21. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the GUI for managing the printing comprises of a GUI for providing label options.

22. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the GUI for managing the printing comprises of a GUI for providing postage options.

23. (Currently Amended)   An interactive web-enabled postage printing system comprising:

a web-enabled installation wizard including a graphical user interface (GUI) for downloading and installing software for postage printing from a server connected to a computer network;

a web-enabled registration wizard including a GUI for facilitating the registration of a user with the system based on a first service plan selected by the user;

a GUI for providing the user with a plurality of available service plans and allowing the user to change the selected first service plan by selecting one of the provided plurality of available service plans; and

a web-enabled printing wizard including a GUI for facilitating printing of a postage indicium.

24. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the registration wizard includes a GUI for specifying a payment method.

25. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the registration wizard includes a GUI for entering and displaying information about the user.

26. (Original) The system of claim 25, wherein the user information is uploaded to a web-based application.

27. (Original) The system of claim 26, wherein the web-based application includes on-line shopping.

28. (Original) The system of claim 23, further comprising a browser-based GUI for on-line shopping.

29. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the installation wizard includes a GUI for specifying an address book so that the system can use the address book to print addresses.

30. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the server includes an address matching database for verifying an address entered by the user.

31. (Original) The system of claim 30, further comprising a user option for overriding an incorrect address.

32. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the registration wizard includes a GUI for offering the user a plurality of services and selecting by the user a service of choice.

33. (Original) The system of claim 32, wherein the plurality of services includes one or more of certified mail, delivery confirmation, insurance, registered mail, and return receipt.

34. (Original) The system of claim 33, further comprising means for calculating an amount due for the selected service based on one or more business rules.

35. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the printing wizard includes a GUI for displaying a graphical image of a sample postage on an envelope.

36. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the printing wizard includes a first GUI for printing a quality assurance VBI.

37. (Original) The system of claim 36, further comprising means for preventing printing the VBI if the quality assurance VBI is not printed.

38. (Original) The system of claim 36, further comprising a second GUI for displaying selection choices of the shape of a printed quality assurance postage sample.

39. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the printing wizard includes a GUI for troubleshooting selected printing options.

40. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the printing wizard includes a GUI for providing envelope options.

41. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the printing wizard includes a GUI for providing label options.

42. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the printing wizard includes a GUI for providing postage options.

43. (Withdrawn)   A method for printing a value bearing item (VBI) over the Internet including a web-enabled client system and a server system, the method comprising the steps of:
    displaying a first GUI by the client system for registering a user;
    establishing communication with the server via the Internet;
    entering user information in the client system; and
    communicating the entered user information to the server.

44. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 43 further comprising the steps of:

displaying a second GUI by the client system including printing options for managing the printing of the VBI;

selecting one or more printing options from the second GUI; and

printing the VBI according to the selected one or more printing options.

45. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 44, wherein the step of printing the VBI comprises printing a postage value.

46. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 44, wherein the step of printing the VBI comprises printing one or more of a ticket, a coupon, a currency, a voucher, a money order, and a check.

47. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 43, further comprising displaying a third GUI for installing software for printing the VBI.

48. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 43, wherein the step of displaying a first GUI comprises displaying a GUI for entering user's information.

49. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 48, wherein the user information is uploaded to a web-based application.

50. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 49, wherein the web-based application includes on-line shopping.

51. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 43, further comprising displaying a browser-based GUI for on-line shopping.

52. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 43, wherein the step of displaying a first GUI comprises displaying a GUI for displaying user information including an account information.

53. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 52, wherein the account information includes an account balance.

54. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 43, further comprising the step of verifying an address by the server system entered by the user.

55. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 43, wherein the step of verifying an address comprises overriding an incorrect address.

56. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 43, wherein the step of displaying a first GUI comprises displaying a GUI for offering the user a plurality of services.

57. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 43, wherein the plurality of services includes one or more of certified mail, delivery confirmation, insurance, registered mail, and return receipt.

58. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 57 further comprising the step of calculating an amount due for a selected service based on one or more business rules.

59. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 43, wherein the step of displaying a first GUI comprises displaying a GUI for canceling a registration process.

60. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 44, wherein the step of displaying a second GUI comprises displaying a GUI for displaying a graphical image of the VBI.

61. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 44, wherein the step of displaying a second GUI comprises displaying a QA GUI for printing a quality assurance VBI.

62. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 61, further comprising the step of preventing printing the VBI if the quality assurance VBI is not printed.

63. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 44, further comprising displaying a third GUI for displaying selectable choices of the shape of a printed sample VBI.

64. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 44, wherein the step of displaying a second GUI comprises displaying a GUI for providing envelope options.

65. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 44, wherein the step of displaying a second GUI comprises displaying a GUI for providing label options.

66. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 44, wherein the step of displaying a second GUI comprises displaying a GUI for providing postage options.

67. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 43, further comprising the step of displaying a second GUI for the user to withdraw the user's account.

68. (Withdrawn)   The method of claim 44, wherein the step of selecting one or more printing options comprises the steps of:

prompting the user to place an envelope in a printer;

displaying a plurality of patterns, wherein only one of the plurality of patterns completely prints onto the envelope fed through the printer;

selecting one of the plurality of displayed patterns based upon which pattern appears to the user; and

ascertaining if the printer feeds envelopes from the top, center, or bottom based on the selected pattern.